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R E P O R T

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the Year

1956.



ROBERT H. CLAYTON, M.B., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H.



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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Medical Officer of Health for the Rural District of
Thingoe in the County of West Suffolk for the year
ending 31st December, 1956.

Public Health Offices,
8, Whiting Street,
Bury St. Edmunds.
October, 1957.

To:-

The Chairman and Members of the
Rural District Council of Thingoe.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies & Gentlemen,

Herewith I beg to submit for your favourable consideration my
Twenty-first Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health, being that for the
year ended 31st December, 1956.

This report has been compiled with the assistance of Mr. Whitfield,
Clerk of the Council and Mr. Casson, Senior Public Health Inspector and
his colleagues - for which assistance as for willing and loyal help
throughout the year I record my thanks.

I would express my gratitude also to Dr. D. A. McCracken, County Medical
Officer of Health, West Suffolk, who has been a ready co-operator and
counsellor throughout the year.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies & Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT H. CLAYTON, M.B., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H.
Medical Officer of Health.

Public Health Officers of the Authority.

(a) Medical. One part-time Medical Officer of Health,

ROBERT H. CLAYTON, M.B., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H. (Durham),
Cert. Mental Deficiency and Allied Subjects (London),
appointed in 1936.

This Officer does not engage in private practice but holds in addition the
following appointments:-

Medical Officer of Health, Newmarket U.D.C.	) Appointed 1st July, 1936.
Mildenhall R.D.C.	
Costford R.D.C.	) Appointed 1st Feby. 1937.
Thedwastre R.D.C.	) " 1st July, 1938.

(b) Others. Senior Public Health Inspector,

S. M. CASSON, M.I.MUN.E., A.M.I.S.E., M.S.I.A.,
Meat and Other Foods Diploma R.S.I.
Appointed February 1946.

Mr. Casson is also Surveyor to the Council.

Additional Public Health Inspectors,

G. WOODS, M.S.I.A., A.M.I.P.H.E.,
Meat & Other Foods Diploma R.S.I.,
Diploma in Sanitary Science R.S.I.
Appointed November 1953.

W.G.G. LEWIS, M.S.I.A., A.R.San.I.
Appointed 6th June, 1955.

Public Health & Housing Committee.

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Mr. A. Reeve.

Mrs. G. Shrewsbury.

Mr. M. R. Whitwell.

Rev. J. R. M. Wright.

MR. N. R. WHITWELL, J.P., CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL.

MR. J. H. WHITFIELD, CLERK OF THE COUNCIL.

SECTION A.
STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

1. <u>GENERAL STATISTICS.</u>	Area		106,739 acres.
Registrar General's estimate of the resident population	1956.	(1955)	(1954)
	19,560	(19,260)	(18,570)
Number of inhabited houses at end of year according to Rate Book.	5,600	(5,584)	(5,451)
Rateable Value	£105,276	(£73,376)	(£71,276)
Sum represented by a Penny Rate	£410	(£288)	(£294)

2. EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

	<u>Total.</u>			<u>Male.</u>			<u>Female.</u>		
	1956	(1955)	(1954)	1956	(1955)	(1954)	1956	(1955)	(1954)
<u>Live Births.</u>									
Legitimate.	273	(272)	(283)	144	(138)	(145)	129	(134)	(138)
Illegitimate.	14	(12)	(18)	8	(10)	(8)	6	(4)	(8)
<u>Stillbirths.</u>									
Legitimate.	9	(7)	(7)	6	(3)	(6)	3	(4)	(1)
Illegitimate.	Nil	(Nil)	(Nil)	Nil	(Nil)	(Nil)	Nil	(Nil)	(Nil)
<u>Deaths.</u>	205	(178)	(206)	119	(89)	(112)	86	(89)	(94)
<u>Deaths under One Year.</u>	8	(6)	(6)	5	(3)	(5)	3	(3)	(1)

	<u>Thingoe.</u>			<u>England & Wales.</u>		
	1956	(1955)	(1954)	1956	(1955)	(1954)
<u>Birth Rate.</u> (Live Births per 1000 population).	14.7	(14.7)	(16.2)	15.7	(15.0)	(15.2)
<u>Comparability Factor, Births.</u>	1.14	(1.14)	(1.14)			
<u>Corrected Birth Rate.</u>	16.7	(16.8)	(18.5)			
<u>Stillbirth Rate</u> per 1000 total (live and still) births.	30.4	(24.1)	(22.7)	23.0	(23.2)	(23.5)
<u>Death Rate</u> per 1000 resident population.	10.5	(9.2)	(11.1)	11.7	(11.7)	(11.3)
<u>Comparability Factor, Deaths.</u>	0.99	(0.91)	(0.91)			
<u>Corrected Death Rate.</u>	10.4	(8.4)	(10.1)			
<u>Death Rate of Infants under One Year.</u>						
All infants per 1000 live births.	27.9	(21.1)	(19.9)	23.8	(24.9)	(25.4)
Legitimate Infants per 1000 Legitimate births.	25.6	(22.1)	(17.7)			
Illegitimate Infants per 1000 Illegitimate births.	71.4	(Nil)	(55.6)			

The eight deaths under one year of age included one illegitimate male child which together with 3 other male and two female children died in the first four weeks of life:-

Male, 10 hours.	Prematurity.
Male, 1 day.	"
Male, 4 days.	"
Male, 10 days.	Broncho-Pneumonia.
Male, 2 months.	Myotonia Congenita.
Female, 12 hours.	Congenital Atelectasis.
Female, 5 days.	Hydrocephalus, Spina Bifida.
Female, 1 month.	Meningitis, Meningomyelocele.

There were two other deaths in the nonage:-

Male, 20 years.	Injuries due to Motor Car Accident.
Male, 20 years.	Teratoma.

Of the total 205 deaths, there were 150 (73%) at 65 years of age or over of which 103 (50%) were at 75 years or over.

The marked increases in the Rateable Value and the Penny Rate Product were due to the new assessments which came into use in April 1956.

The following table gives the causes and the number of deaths occurring at the various age groups. The totals correspond with the Registrar General's figures.

As in last year's report the deaths have been classified to conform with implementation of the World Health Organisation Nomenclature Regulations, 1948.

CAUSES OF DEATHS.		Deaths at the sub-joined ages of "RESIDENTS" whether occurring in or beyond the District.																	
M = Male. F = Female.		Under 1 year.		1 to 4 Years.		5 to 14 Years.		15 to 24 Years.		25 to 44 Years.		45 to 64 Years.		65 to 74 Years.		75 and over.		TOTAL Registrar General's figures.	
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
2. Tuberculosis, Other.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic disease.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Diphtheria.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal infections.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Acute Poliomyelitis.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Measles.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
10. Malignant neoplasm, Stomach.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	1	-	-	-	5	-
12. Malignant neoplasm, Breast.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13. Malignant neoplasm, Uterus.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
14. Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	4	2	3	5	9	10
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16. Diabetes.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	3	4	10	10	15	17
18. Coronary disease, angina.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	10	4	11	4	28	8
19. Hypertension with heart disease.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	4	3	7	4
20. Other Heart Disease.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	5	9	10	12	18
21. Other circulatory disease.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4	3	6	3
22. Influenza.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1
23. Pneumonia.		1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	-	6	2	10	4
24. Bronchitis.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3
25. Other diseases of respiratory system.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
26. Ulcer of stomach & duodenum.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28. Nephritis & nephrosis.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
29. Hyperplasia of prostate		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations.		-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
32. Other defined & ill-defined diseases.		4	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	3	2	12	5
33. Motor vehicle accidents.		-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	1
34. All other accidents.		-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	3
35. Suicide.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-
36. Homicide & operations of war.		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total: Males.		5	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	22	-	29	-	57	-	119	-
Females.		-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	15	-	18	-	46	-	-	86

	1956.	Average Decade 1946-1955.	Average Decade 1936-1945.
Rateable Value.	£105,276.	£64,453.	£47,034.
Product of Penny Rate.	£410.	£271.	£202.
Number of Inhabited Houses.	5,600.	5,201.	4,648.
Registrar General's Estimate of Population.	19,560.	16,273.	17,674.
Total Deaths.	205	200	210.
Deaths Under One Year.	Legitimate.	7	8
	Illegitimate.	1.	0.6
Births.	Legitimate.	273	245
	Illegitimate.	14	22
Stillbirths.	Legitimate.	9	7
	Illegitimate.	Nil	1

SECTION B.
GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

(a) LABORATORY FACILITIES. The Public Health Laboratory Service, Tennis Court Road, Cambridge, under the directorship of Dr. R. M. Fry, provides an excellent bacteriological service and most readily discusses and advises on any epidemiological or similar problem.

Dr. S. Greenburgh, Public Analyst, Tenison Road, Cambridge, gives a similar, efficient, helpful service when chemical analyses are required.

(b) AMBULANCE FACILITIES. These services since July 1953 have been provided directly by the County Council under the direction of Dr. D. A. McCracken, the County Medical Officer of Health.

(c) NURSING IN THE HOME. The West Suffolk County Council District Nurse-Midwives carry out these duties.

(d) CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES. The West Suffolk County Council hold Infant Welfare Clinics at the following Centres in Thingoe:-

Honington.	The Aerodrome.	Every Tuesday.
Risby.	Village Hall.	3rd Tuesday.
Ixworth.	Village Hall.	3rd Thursday.
Rougham.	Village Hall.	3rd Friday.
Barrow.	The Reading Room.	4th Friday.

(e) HOSPITALS. The use of hospitals by Thingoe residents is indicated by the following information with regard to live births and deaths.

Of the 287 live births to Thingoe residents, 119 (41%) were registered as occurring at their own home. The remaining 169 births took place outside of Thingoe, of which the great majority occurred at the hospitals in Bury St. Edmunds and Newmarket.

93 (45%) of the 205 deaths of Thingoe Residents in 1956 occurred at Hospitals as under:-

44	Bury St. Edmunds, West Suffolk General Hospital.
36	" " " St. Mary's Hospital.
3	Newmarket, Newmarket General Hospital.
2	Sudbury, Walnuttree Hospital.
1	Arrington, U.S. Air Force Hospital.
1	Derby, Derbyshire Royal Infirmary.
1	Ely, R.A.F. Hospital.
1	Ipswich, Ipswich & East Suffolk Hospital.
1	Islington, Whittington Hospital (St. Mary's Wing).
1	Llandudno, General Hospital.
1	Thetford, Cottage Hospital.
1	St. Marylebone, Hospital for Epilepsy & Paralysis.

SECTION C.
SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. (i) WATER. The position envisaged in the design of the Council's Comprehensive Water Scheme was achieved in June 1956 when (in addition to the closure of the last existing small scheme pumping station) the last length of main proposed in the Comprehensive Scheme was laid. This made the total length of mains in the District 166.9 miles, of which 17.9 miles are Trunk Mains and 149.0 miles are Distribution Mains. As new housing progresses, further extensions of mains will take place which may allow additional existing houses to be served, but, now that the envisaged scheme is completed, any such increase in the number of houses served will be at a much slower rate. The increase from 8% of houses with a piped supply in 1947 (when the Public Enquiry into the proposed Comprehensive Scheme was held) is shown in the table on the following page. It will be noted that the figure had reached 68% by the end of 1956.

MAINS WATER -- THINGOE.

YEAR.	PIPED SUPPLY TO HOUSE,		USING STANDPIPE WITHIN 200 FEET.	
	Number.	%	Number.	%
1956.	3,836	68%	43	1%
1955.	3,121	56%	56	1%
1954.	2,409	44%	157	3%
1953.	1,911	36%	218	4%
1952.	1,575	30%	263	5%
1951.	1,407	27%	268	5%
1950.	1,093	21%	269	5%
1949.	804	16%	369	7%
1948.	511	10%	384	8%
1947.	379	8%	403	8%

The houses served by the Comprehensive Scheme are indicated, for each parish, on the following page.

The further increase in the total production of water during 1956 is shown by the following figures:-

1956	Total Annual Production of Scheme	=	286,000,000	gallons.
1955	" " " " "	=	227,000,000	"
1954	" " " " "	=	145,000,000	"

Much of this water was supplied to our neighbouring Local Authorities but the consumption in Thingoe has risen thus:-

1957	March Daily Average Consumption, Thingoe,	449,000	gallons.
1956	" " " " "	372,000	"
1955	" " " " "	235,000	"
1954	" " " " "	182,000	"

From the Borough of Bury St. Edmunds a small amount of water is still purchased for the parishes of Westley and Fornham All Saints.

A new booster station came into operation in May 1956 and improved the pressure of the water supply to the village of Rede.

Samples were taken regularly to check the bacterial condition of the water being supplied and all water as previously was chlorinated before release into the mains.

Chemical Analyses from pumping stations were as follows:-

Site.	Bact.	Chemical (parts per 100,000)					
		Cl ₂	O ₂	Nitrate	Nitrite	Hardness.	pH
Ixworth.	Satis.	4.45	0.0627	Absent	Absent	28.4	7.1
Risby.	Satis.	2.15	0.0409	0.50	Absent	27.4	7.1
Rushbrooke.	Satis.	2.35	0.0343	0.60	Absent	28.2	7.1

Bacteriological Analyses taken during 1956 gave the following results

Bacteriological Water Samples.	Satisfactory.	Unsatisfactory
From Mains prior to use.	5	1
From Public Supplies.	106	2
From Private Supplies.	9	20

The five satisfactory samples from the mains prior to use included a repeat sample after the unsatisfactory result.

The two unsatisfactory samples from new mains in Public Supplies proved satisfactory on repeat samples.

Of the 20 unsatisfactory Private Samples, 4 are now on the Public Supply, 3 have applied to be connected and 1 proved satisfactory after cleaning out storage tanks. The remaining 12 properties cannot be reasonably supplied from our mains and the tenants have been advised to boil all drinking water.

YEAR 1956/1957.

PARISH.	H O U S E S I N P A R I S H				WITHIN 200 FEET OF	
	TOTAL	HOUSES ON PIPED SUPPLY		%	STANDPIPE.	%
	RATE BOOK 31.3.57.	AT END OF MARCH 1957.				
Ampton.	31	1	(1)	3	-	-
Bardwell.	227	131	(13)	58	-	-
Barrow.	272	189	(28)	69	11	4
Barton, Great.	317	239	(50)	75	-	-
Barnham.	115	77	(3)	67	-	-
Barningham.	176	136	(10)	77	-	-
Bradfield Combust.	40	35	(8)	88	4	-
Bradfield St. Clare.	55	35	(5)	64	-	-
Bradfield St. George.	117	82	(9)	70	-	-
Brockley.	70	54	(6)	77	-	-
Chedburgh.	71	50	(3)	70	-	-
Chevington.	136	75	(6)	55	-	-
Coney Weston.	50	34	(10)	68	-	-
Culford.	96	49	(31)	51	-	-
Denham.	57	42	(5)	74	-	-
Euston.	73	35	(2)	48	-	-
Fakenham Magna.	47	5	(1)	11	-	-
Flempton.	59	48	(17)	81	-	-
Fornham All Saints.	97	57	(15)	59	-	-
Fornham St. Geneveve.	18	4	(-)	22	-	-
Fornham St. Martin.	135	94	(6)	70	-	-
Hardwick.	2	-	(-)	-	-	-
Hargrave.	87	73	(4)	84	-	-
Hawstead.	89	63	(13)	71	-	-
Hengrave.	54	40	(26)	74	-	-
Hepworth.	122	75	(10)	61	-	-
Honington.	119	88	(20)	74	-	-
Hopton.	137	123	(7)	90	-	-
Horringer.	154	88	(9)	57	-	-
Ickworth.	16	8	(8)	50	-	-
Ingham.	95	67	(8)	71	8	8
Ixworth.	317	277	(31)	87	20	6
Ixworth Thorpe.	27	24	(13)	89	-	-
Knettishall.	12	-	(-)	-	-	-
Lackford.	48	32	(32)	67	-	-
Livermere, Great.	76	53	(2)	70	-	-
Livermere, Little.	34	2	(2)	6	-	-
Market Weston.	59	37	(17)	63	-	-
Nowton.	61	36	(30)	59	-	-
Pakenham.	258	166	(14)	64	-	-
Rede.	51	37	(4)	73	-	-
Risby.	163	133	(4)	82	-	-
Rougham.	260	184	(23)	71	-	-
Rushbrooke.	31	26	(25)	84	-	-
Sapiston.	46	9	(7)	20	-	-
Saxham, Great.	56	32	(9)	57	-	-
Saxham, Little.	43	30	(5)	70	-	-
Stanningfield.	79	70	(7)	89	-	-
Stanton.	276	165	(17)	60	-	-
Thelnetham.	79	35	(9)	44	-	-
Timworth.	32	20	(20)	63	-	-
Troston.	72	68	(7)	94	-	-
Westley.	28	28	(2)	100	-	-
West Stow.	52	19	(7)	37	-	-
Whelnetham, Great.	157	128	(26)	82	4	3
Whelnetham, Little.	46	38	(10)	83	-	-
Whepstead.	122	87	(66)	71	-	-
Wordwell.	11	3	(1)	27	-	-
	5,630	3,836	(724)	68%	43	1%

The figures in brackets in the second column indicate the extra number of houses supplied since the previous annual report.

In the few cases where bore well water from the Comprehensive Scheme is not readily available and a new baby is arriving, arrangements are made to test the well supply of the house, prior to the making up of the infants' feeds (when breast feeding is not possible), for the presence of nitrates in order to avoid the danger of Methaemoglobinemia.

(11) DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

Honington. During December 1956 the scheme for sewage disposal (referred to in the previous Annual Report) came into operation, thus providing a much needed amenity to the two Council house sites and the village school.

Stanton. Work to provide the ejector station in the village of Stanton was well advanced by the end of the year. This station will ultimately provide the basis for sewerage of the whole village, but at present it is in use only for the new Council house site.

Barnham. The Council, at the end of the year, were preparing a plan to use, for the sewerage of the village of Barnham, the sewage works provided by the Air Ministry for the Married Quarters at Barnham.

Ministry approval was obtained to complete for pre-war Council houses a scheme to provide sinks, taps and a modified drainage system by means of gully and soakaway. The position at the end of the financial year 1956/57 was as follows:-

Provided Prior to 1956/57	..	..	262
" During 1956/57	..	..	46
			<u>308</u>

90 Pre-war houses remain which still require some form of sink drainage, but all Council houses now have a mains supply of water.

The work of maintaining the sewage plants has been carried on (as reported in the previous year) under the supervision of Mr. Casson, who has Mr. B. Hunt as foreman.

In 1956 the Council acquired a new cesspool emptier, a Ford Thames with Eagle body and diesel engine.

501 cesspools were emptied during the year as follows:-

	1956	1955	1954.
Council Housing Sites ..	169	124	115
Private Within District ..	313	341	251
Private Outside District ..	19	18	14
	<u>501</u>	<u>483</u>	<u>380</u>

The River Board took two sewage effluent samples (one each at Ixworth and Hengrave), two were taken by the Council's Officers (one each at Ixworth and Rede).

	Parts per 100,000 Suspended Solids.	B.O.D.
Ixworth.	3.5	3.05
" Repeat.	0.60	0.56
Hengrave.	4.1	1.35
Rede.	3.15	0.56
Royal Commission Standard.	3.0	2.0

Progress towards the provision of drainage throughout the District is indicated by the table which follows showing houses connected to sewerage systems.

78 houses were connected during 1956, making the total connected by the end of the year 1,032, which is 18.3% of the 5,630 total houses in the District:-

HOUSES
CONNECTED TO SEWERAGE SYSTEMS.

PARISH.	TOTAL HOUSES IN PARISH.	ADDED DURING 1956.			On prior to 1956.	Total at end of 1956.
		PRIVATE	COUNCIL	TOTAL.		
Bardwell.	227	4	-	4	44	48
Barnham.	115	-	-	-	14	14
Barningham.	176	-	-	-	62	62
Barrow.	272	5	-	5	94	99
Barton, Great.	317	-	-	-	18	18
Bradfield St. Clare.	55	-	-	-	11	11
Bradfield St. George.	117	-	-	-	18	18
Brockley.	70	-	-	-	8	8
Chedburgh.	71	-	-	-	22	22
Chevington.	136	-	1	1	18	19
Denham.	57	-	-	-	8	8
Euston.	73	-	-	-	3	3
Flempton.	59	-	-	-	18	18
Fornham All Saints.	97	2	-	2	73	73
Fornham St. Martin.	135	-	-	-	39	39
Hargrave.	87	-	-	-	20	20
Hawstead.	89	-	-	-	8	8
Hengrave.	54	6	-	6	15	21
Hepworth.	122	-	-	-	8	8
Honington.	119	3	30	33	-	33
Hopton.	137	-	-	-	7	7
Ingham.	95	-	-	-	7	7
Ixworth.	317	4	-	4	166	170
Livernere, Great.	76	-	-	-	18	18
Nowton.	61	-	-	-	6	6
Pakenham.	258	-	-	-	46	46
Rede.	51	-	-	-	18	18
Risby.	163	-	-	-	33	33
Rougham.	260	-	20	20	35	55
Saxham, Great.	56	-	-	-	6	6
Stanningfield.	79	-	-	-	22	22
Stanton.	276	-	-	-	17	17
Troston.	72	-	-	-	8	8
Whelnetham, Great.	157	-	-	-	64	64
West Stow.	52	3	-	3	-	3
Wordwell.	11	-	-	-	2	2
	4,600	27	51	78	956	1,032

2. RIVERS AND STREAMS. The Borough of Bury St. Edmunds are to provide new sewage works to be situated in our District to replace their inadequate works at West Stow thus eliminating a source of river pollution.

3. (i) CLOSET ACCOMMODATION. 1,032 houses (18.3% of the total houses in the District) are connected to sewerage systems - in addition many houses have their own private cesspool. It can be said that, despite financial stringency, substantial progress has been made in Thingoe towards providing modern conveniences to replace pail closets.

(ii) PUBLIC CLEANSING. During 1956 the Council continued the fortnightly collection of refuse in 52 parishes and a weekly collection in the remaining parishes of Barrow, Great Barton, Hopton, Ixworth, Pakenham and Stanton. During the year a new four-wheel articulated Karrier motive unit was purchased for use with the existing rear load Scammell container.

The Council deemed that the amount of Purchase Tax on dustbins was too excessive to allow of their purchase by the Council during 1956 - a view which was substantiated in 1957 when the rate of Purchase Tax was lowered - the Council then decided to purchase 270 refuse bins as a first instalment in their scheme to replace all unsatisfactory containers in order to promote an efficient and hygienic system.

Refuse tips were, throughout the year, maintained in a reasonably satisfactory condition despite shortage of suitable covering material.

The volume of refuse collected 8,625 cubic yards was 2% less than the 8,816 cubic yards of 1955, the mileage 25,013 miles was 12% more than in 1955.

REFUSE COLLECTED AND MILEAGE.

Year.	Volume.	Mileage
1951.	5,327 cubic yards	17,574 miles
1952.	5,719 " "	19,432 "
1953.	5,831 " "	19,821 "
1954.	6,388 " "	20,240 "
1955.	8,816 " "	22,329 "
1956.	8,625 " "	25,013 "

The value of salvage collected was less - the marked demand for waste paper being poor throughout the year, indeed towards the end of the year sale was not found to be possible.

SALVAGE COLLECTION.

Value and Amount.

Year.	Value.	Paper Cwts.	Rags Cwts.	Scrap Cwts.
1951.	£496. 17. 10.	768	13.5	141.5
1952.	£212. 19. 6.	418	7.0	26.5
1953.	£ 75. 6. 5.	341	10.75	132.5
1954.	£128. 0. 1.	295	16.0	54.5
1955.	£466. 11. 0.	822.5	15.2	222.6
1956.	£294. 11. 9.	566.6	16.5	151.5

(iii) SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA. The following table shows the number of inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors

Premises Inspected.	Inspections.
Accumulations	4
Bakehouses (mech).	11
Cesspools, etc.	11
Closets.	4
Dairies.	11
Dairies Inspected.	208
~~TRANS~~ Smoke Tests.	2
Water Tests.	101
Estate Maintenance.	86
Factories (mech)	29
Factories (non-mech)	4
Fireworks premises.	5
Food Premises - Butchers	37
Small Manufacturers	21
Fried Fish	1
Ice-cream	4
Public Houses	14
Cafes	12
General Stores	22
Houses - on Complaint	243
Recording	99
Council	51
Overcrowding	3
Improvement Grant	901
Verminous	2
Infectious Disease	2
Interviews	137
Miscellaneous Visits	327
Moveable Dwellings	15
Notices served - Informal	2
Nuisances discovered	15
New Buildings	314
Petroleum storage	31
Piggeries	4
Ponds and Ditches	50
Refuse Collection	8
Rats and Mice: Agricultural	3
Shops - Shops Act	2
Slaughterhouses	238
Schools	1
Sewers and Sewage Works	468
Tips	15
Vans - Meat	2
Water Supply	54
Workplaces	8
Works in Progress	745
	4,269

WRITTEN NOTICES.

Notices outstanding 1st January, 1956.	..	..	..	20
Served during 1956	..	..	..	32
			Total:	52
Complied with during 1956	..	..	..	34
Outstanding 31st December, 1956.	..	..	..	18

FACTORIES ACT.

Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health

Premises.	Number on Register.	Number of		
		Inspections.	Written Notices.	Occupiers Prosecuted.
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority.	7	4	3	Nil
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	52	25	Nil	Nil
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority *(excluding out-workers' premises).	5	5	Nil	Nil
	64	34	3	Nil

* i.e. Electrical Stations (Sections 103 (1)), Institutions, (Section 104 and sites of Building Operations and Works of Engineering Construction (Sections 107 and 108)).

Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars.	Number of cases in which defects were found.				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
	Found.	Remedied	Reported.		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Insufficient sanitary Conveniences (S.7.)(a)	3	3	Nil	3	Nil
Total:	3	3	Nil	3	Nil

OUTWORK.

Nature of Work.	M/c. Line No.	No. of Out-Workers in August list required by Sect. 110 (1) (a).	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council.
Wearing apparel (Making etc.)	13	4	Nil
Making boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper.	34	36	Nil

The 36 outworkers noted above are employed by the local firm, Messrs. Wizzard Fireworks, Ltd., Chedburgh, Nr. Bury St. Edmunds, whilst the four wearing apparel outworkers are employed by firms at Bradford and Manchester.

(iv) SHOPS AND OFFICES. The general standard of personal hygiene is good throughout the general stores in our District. Shopkeepers have been provided with copies of the Food Hygiene Regulations - a report on a complete survey of the shops in the District carried out in 1957 will appear in the report for that year.

(v). CAMPING SITES. The two largest sites in our Area, those at Honington and Shepherd's Grove, Stanton, were under the control of the Air Ministry, but during 1956 "Tobacco Houses" provided at Shepherd's Grove replaced the caravans.

Other sites in the District are used in connection with seasonal employment of farm workers and exist two licensed sites at Barnham, each of six vans, one licensed site at West Stow for three vans, and one licensed site on the Cavenham Road, Risby for six vans.

Elsewhere in the District only stationing for individual caravans are occupied.

(vi) SMOKE ABATEMENT. No case of smoke nuisance was reported during the year.

(vii) SWIMMING BATHS. There are no swimming baths in the area.

(viii) ERADICATION OF BED BUGS. No cases were reported during the year.

(ix) COCKROACH INFESTATION. No cases were reported during the year.

(x) RODENT CONTROL. As in previous years rodent control continued to be undertaken by one operator equipped with a motor cycle and toolbox combination. The amount of work accomplished can be assessed from the copy of his twelve month report which is on the following page.

(xi) RAG, FLOCK & OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951.

No change.

Section 47, National Assistance Act.

From time to time during the year cases have arisen where elderly persons have been thought to be unable to devote to themselves sufficient care and attention. Such cases are seen by the Welfare Officers on the County Medical Officer's staff who try to persuade them to enter hospital or "Part III" accommodation. Where the person is unwilling the cases are referred to me, as the District Medical Officer can take action under Section 47, National Assistance Act. All cases so referred during 1956 responded to further persuasion by the Welfare Officers and myself, so that they entered voluntarily without our having recourse to magistrates or Court.

COPY.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.
Report for 12 months ended 31st March, 1957.

Name of Local Authority ..Thingoe R.D.C..... County ..West.Suffolk.....

	Type of Property.				
	Non-Agricultural				
	1. Local Authority.	2. Dwelling Houses.	3. All other Premises.	4. Total of Cols.1,2 & 3.	5. Agricult- ural.
1.Number of properties in Local Authority's District Notes 1 & 2.	40	5,453	376	5,869	389
2.Number of properties inspected as a result of					
a.Notification	Nil	48	2	50	2
b.Survey under Act	5	1,273	11	1,289	6
c.Otherwise.	17	127	23	167	111
3.Total inspections carried out, including re-inspections.	32	2,892	31	2,955	15
4.Number of properties inspected in Sec.2 which were found to be infested :					
a.Rats Major	3	11	Nil	14	Nil
Minor	1	283	6	390	4
b.Mice Major	Nil	3	Nil	3	Nil
Minor	Nil	24	Nil	24	Nil
5.Number of infested properties(Sec.4) treated by L.A.	4	321	6	331	1
6.Total treatments carried out - including re-treatments.	9	339	6	354	1
7.Number of notices served under Sec.4 of the Act. a.Treatment	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
b. Structural Work.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
8.Number of cases in which default action was taken following the issue of notice.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
9.Legal Proceedings	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
10.Number of "Block" control schemes carried out.	Nil	17	Nil	Nil	Nil

Note 1. With the exception of agricultural properties, a property means one which is entered separately in the Valuation Roll for the area.

Note 2.(1). Premises used by the L.A. for the purposes of trade should be entered in Col.(3).

(2). Sewers should not be included.

(3). Combined dwelling and business premises, where occupied by the same person, should be regarded as business premises and should be entered in separate occupation, separate entries should be made in Cols.2 and 3.

Note 3. For the purpose of completing Sections 2,4 and 5, each property should be entered once only in respect of inspections, infestations or treatments..

SECTION D.
H O U S I N G.

1. (1) (a) Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts). (Including Council Houses)	1,125
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	1,157
(2) (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925.	78
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose	78
(3) Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	34
(4) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation. (Including Council houses)	1,091
2. <u>Remedy of defects during the year without service of formal notice.</u>	
Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers (including Council houses).	1,047
3. <u>Action under Statutory Powers during the year.</u> <u>Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.</u>	
(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.	Nil
(2) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice:-	
(a) By Owners	Nil
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil
<u>Proceedings under Public Health Acts.</u>	
(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	1
(2) Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices.	
(a) By Owners	1
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	Nil
Outstanding at end of year	Nil
<u>Proceedings under Section 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.</u>	
(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which	
(a) Demolition Orders were made	18
(b) Undertakings accepted not to re-let for human habitation.	16
(c) Undertakings cancelled upon completion of work.	5
(2) Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.	15
<u>Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936.</u>	
(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Closing Orders were made.	Nil
(2) Number of dwellinghouses closed in pursuance of Closing Orders.	Nil

4. Housing Act. - Part IV - Overcrowding.

(a)	(i) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year	4
	(ii) Number of families dwelling therein	4
	(iii) Number of persons dwelling therein	30
(b)	Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	1
(c)	(i) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	Nil
	(ii) Number of persons concerned in such cases	Nil
(d)	Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority having taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding	Nil

39 new Council houses were completed during 1956 - making 734 post-war Council houses and 1,048 Council houses in all in the District.

The villages in which the post-war Council houses have been built, together with the year of building, the number of pre-war and war-time emergency Council houses in each parish are indicated in the table on the following page.

The suspension of Exchequer Grant (other than for houses to replace those deemed unfit for human habitation) and the high cost of building has limited the building activity of the Council to those houses on which grant is obtainable. These unfit houses are usually occupied by elderly persons, as already it has been obvious that they are not suitable for the use of a family. These elderly persons display a certain reluctance to leave their old home and near neighbours even though they know that a more modern and easier worked house is being offered to them. There is a reluctance on the part of elderly persons to leave familiar surroundings, to undertake new methods of heating, cooking and lighting and also a definite reluctance to accepting a contribution towards their new higher rent from a source named "National Assistance".

The Council is very mindful of the views and wishes of these persons and seek to balance these with their duty to provide suitable homes. A very great deal of thought has been given by the Council as to the best type of housing facilities for the elderly.

A pilot scheme has been planned to come into operation in Barrow in 1958. This scheme is to provide a number of separate units, all under one roof, where elderly persons can lead an independent life within the confines of their own accommodation, while having the benefits of companionship of other elderly persons, as also of younger persons, living close at hand on the same Council house estate. The Council are very gratified that they have been able to persuade the Ministry to sanction approval of this pilot-scheme and to allow it to rank for grant. They have also received the close co-operation and promise of financial assistance from the County Council.

In villages where such a scheme is not yet applicable action has continued, but often has been limited in its scope and speed to ensure that the houses will only be removed after the elderly persons have vacated them through natural causes.

The Council have not concentrated on the abolition of all houses at present under standard, but have endeavoured, whenever possible, to encourage owners to improve their property up to modern standards. To this end during 1956 the Council approved 48 Improvement Grants totalling £11,991, of which no less than 46 are completed or proceeding.

The number of dwelling houses rendered fit during the year totalled 1,053, approximately one fifth of the total number of houses in the District. This figure, besides indicating a large amount of work accomplished in this scope by the Health Inspectors also it is hoped, indicates that the future will see less necessity to provide finance either for Improvement Grants or for replacement houses.

Parish.	Total All Houses in Parish.	COUNCIL HOUSES BUILT IN PARISH.														% of Houses in Parish which at 31.12.56 were Council Houses.
		Total Pre-War & Emergency War.	Total Post-War.	DURING												
				1956.	1955.	1954.	1953.	1952.	1951.	1950.	1949.	1948.	1947.	1946.		
Ampton.	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bardwell.	227	55	19	36	-	-	-	14	-	4	-	4	14	-	-	24%
Barrow.	272	60	16	44	-	2	-	-	18	-	-	8	-	16	-	22%
Barton, Gt.	317	35	18	17	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	6	-	-	12%
Barnham.	115	16	2	14	-	6	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	14%
Barningham.	175	83	23	60	-	20	-	-	14	2	-	4	12	8	-	48%
Bradfield Combust.	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bradfield St. Clare.	55	17	6	11	-	-	3	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	31%
Bradfield St. George	117	30	12	18	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	26%
Brockley.	70	17	9	8	-	-	6	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	24%
Chedburgh.	71	22	6	16	-	10	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31%
Chevington.	136	22	3	19	1	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16%
Coney Weston	50	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14%
Culford.	96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Denham.	57	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	-	-	14%
Euston.	73	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4%
Fakenham Magn.	47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flempton.	59	20	2	18	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34%
Fornham All Sts	96	18	6	12	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	19%
" St. Martin	135	49	7	42	-	21	13	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	37%
" St. Genevieve	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hardwick.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hargrave.	87	25	5	20	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	10	-	29%
Hawstead.	89	17	11	6	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	19%
Hengrave.	54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hepworth.	122	23	15	8	-	-	-	-	2	-	6	-	-	-	-	19%
Honington.	119	42	12	30	8	6	8	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	35%
Hopton.	137	22	16	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	16%
Horringer.	154	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%
Ickworth.	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ingham.	95	13	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	14%
Ixworth.	317	105	56	49	-	-	-	22	13	-	4	-	10	-	-	33%
Ixworth Thorpe	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Knottishall.	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lackford.	48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Livermere, Gt.	76	18	-	18	-	12	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24%
Livermere, Lt.	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Market Weston.	59	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14%
Nowton.	61	6	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	10%
Pakenham.	258	60	14	46	-	2	-	20	-	16	8	-	-	-	-	23%
Rode.	51	21	3	18	-	-	2	-	4	-	-	-	12	-	-	41%
Risby.	163	61	28	33	-	4	6	-	4	-	7	-	-	12	-	37%
Rougham.	260	65	10	35	20	2	15	-	-	-	-	-	4	8	6	25%
Rushbrooke.	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sapiston.	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Saxham, Gt.	56	15	9	6	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26%
Saxham, Lt.	43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stanningfield.	79	20	4	16	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	25%
Stanton.	279	40	13	27	10	-	6	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	14%
Thelnetham.	79	12	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15%
Timworth.	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Troston.	72	13	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	-	-	-	18%
Westley.	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West Stow.	52	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whelnetham, Gt	156	77	29	48	-	-	12	-	4	-	6	-	26	-	-	49%
" Lt	46	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whepstead.	122	9	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7%
Wordwell.	11	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	18%
	5,630	1,138	404	734	39	85	105	93	90	36	66	46	84	84	6	20%

SECTION E.
INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

- (a) MILK SUPPLY. The duties of our Authority are curtailed to the surveillance of milk in distribution from dairies other than producer retail dairies. The number of retailers in the District was 8. The following licenses were issued (supplementary licenses are issued to those whose premises are not in our District):-

	<u>Tuberculin Tested.</u>		<u>Pasteurised.</u>	
	<u>Dealer.</u>	<u>Supplementary.</u>	<u>Dealer.</u>	<u>Supplementary.</u>
Booty, The Dairy, Timworth.	1	-	-	-
Fulcher, Home Farm, Hardwick.	1	-	1	-
Hicks, High St., Ixworth.	1	-	1	-
Co-operative Society, Bury St. Edmunds.	-	1	-	1
Nowton Lodge Dairy Milk Bar, Bury St. Edmunds.	-	1	-	1
Palmer, Park Farm, Wattisfield.	-	1	-	1
Pask, Swan Farm, Hartest.	-	1	-	-
Hayhoe, West Stow.	-	-	1	-
	3	4	3	3

No complaints were detected during visits to the dealers premises in 1956. Series of samples, taken during the summer months, to ascertain the keeping qualities of the milk, all proved satisfactory.

- (b) MEAT AND OTHER FOODS. There has been no change in the number of food premises from the previous year. They are as follows:-

Food Shops (General)	..	..	68
Small manufacturers	..	..	14
Butchers	..	..	13
Cafes	..	..	1
Bakehouses	..	..	14
			<u>110</u>

Meat Inspection. All 454 animals slaughtered at the 4 private slaughter-houses in the District were examined despite the irregularity in the times of killing which is time consuming to the Health Inspector.

The following lists show the amount of meat dealt with as being unfit for human consumption, whilst the table on the following page indicates the number and percentage of animals affected. As requested in Appendix to Circular 17/55 Ministry of Health, the tabular statement for information about the post-mortem inspection of animals has been revised so as to include horses slaughtered for human consumption among the animals, and cysticercus among the Diseases. In Thingoe this meant a "Nil" return for horses slaughtered for human consumption and for cattle infected with Cysticercosis.

<u>Cattle.</u>		<u>Pigs.</u>	
Beef (Bruising)	69 lbs.	3 Whole carcasses (Acute Fever)	
" (Tuberculosis)	107 "	Pork (Bruising)	3 lbs.
4 Heads & Tongues (Tuberculosis)		1 Guts (Peritonitis)	
6 Pairs Lungs (Tuberculosis)		5 Heads (Tuberculosis)	
10 Livers { 6 abscesses	}	2 Kidneys (Nephritis)	
{ 2 cirrhosis		4 Pairs Lungs (1 Cystic	
{ 1 Distoma		3 Pneumonia)	
{ 1 Fatty Degeneration			

Other Foods. One 7 oz. tin of luncheon meat was surrendered as unfit for human consumption.

The standard of personal hygiene in the village shops is fairly good - employers and employees respond favourably and promptly to all suggestions made during routine inspection which are aimed to increase the confidence and health of customers.

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole
or in part.

	Cattle excluding Cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep & Lambs.	Pigs	Horses.
Number killed. (All were inspected)	142	Nil	2	72	238	Nil
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci.</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	11	Nil	Nil	Nil	7	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci.	7.7%	Nil	Nil	Nil	4.2%	Nil
<u>Tuberculosis only.</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	11	Nil	Nil	Nil	5	Nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	7.7%	Nil	Nil	Nil	2.1%	Nil
<u>Cysticercosis.</u>						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration.	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Generalised and totally condemned.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

(c) ADULTERATION, ETC.

(d) CHEMICAL & BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION.

(e) NUTRITION.

(f) SHELL-FISH.

(g) WATER-CRESS.

} No change.

ICE-CREAM. Although there are no manufacturers of ice-cream in our District the number of ice-cream dealers has continued to increase from 26 in 1953 to 28 in 1954, to 36 in 1955 and to 38 by the end of 1956. The dealers receive all their ice-cream as wrapped bricks or in covered cartons from large manufacturers, so that it is sold in the packed state.

SECTION F.
PREVALENCE OF & CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

The following table shows the number of Infectious Diseases among the civilian population during the year. These are the final numbers after corrections subsequently made either by the Notifying Medical Practitioner or by the Medical Superintendent of the Infectious Disease Hospital.

	Scarlet Fever.		Measles.		Whooping Cough.		Pneumonia.		Infective Hepatitis.		Bacillary Dysentery.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Grand Total: M. F. 59 21 38 Totals:	1	1	8	22	7	7	3	4	1	4	1	-
Under 1 year	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 years	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 years	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
4 years	1	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 to 9 years	-	1	5	19	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 to 14 years	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	2	-	-
15 to 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
25 to 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	-
45 to 64 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
65 & over.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-

1956 was a year in which no exceptional incidence of Infectious Diseases occurred in Thingoe.

No case of Diphtheria has occurred in the District for 12 years - no case has occurred in an immunised person since December 1940, when immunisation commenced in the District, 16 years ago. A reminder that this is due to the wisdom of parents in having their children immunised was provided in 1957 when a 5 year old girl, an unimmunised foreigner, who entered the District, was found to have the disease.

	T U B E R C U L O S I S.						
	New Cases and Mortality.						
	1956.	1955.	1954.	1953.	1952.	1951.	1950.
Pulmonary	5	3	10	6	7	9	17
Non-Pulmonary	1	Nil	1	2	4	5	3

Ages of Cases notified in 1956:-

Pulmonary, 1 Male, 67 years.
4 Females, 9, 15, 41 and 46 years.

Other Forms, 1 Female, 9 years.

MORTALITY. There was one Pulmonary Tuberculosis death during 1956, a female aged 48 years.

TUBERCULOSIS REGISTER.

	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Total.	
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
1.Cases at commencement 1956.	27	23	5	8	32	31
2.Notified first in 1956.	1	4	-	1	1	5
3.Restored to Register.	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.Added by Transfers.	1	5	-	-	1	5
5.Cases removed from Register.	3	5	-	1	3	6
6.Remaining at end of 1956.	26	27	5	8	31	35

THINGOE - 1936 to 1956. NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS).

	Diph- theria	Scarlet Fever.	Measles	Whoop- ing Cough.	Pneu- monia	Ery- sip- clas	Infective Hepatitis	Acute Polio myel- itis.	Dysen- tery	Inf. Encoph- alitis	Malaria	Maningo- coccal mening- itis.	Oph- thalmia- Neo- natorum.	Para- Typhoid Fever.	Undul- ant Fever	Euer- peral Fever	Food Poi- son- ing.
1936.	1	27	-	-	9	3	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3	-
1937.	1	6	-	-	7	Nil	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	-
1938.	2	4	-	-	7	1	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	1	Nil	-
1939.	2	26	Nil	10	Nil	Nil	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	-
1940.	9	112	75	10	10	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	-
1941.	8	22	269	9	4	2	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	2	-
1942.	2	27	4	57	4	Nil	-	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	-
1943.	2	25	61	1	3	Nil	11	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	-
1944.	4	21	10	39	9	4	22	Nil	23	Nil	1	Nil	3	Nil	Nil	1	-
1945.	Nil	21	233	78	8	2	22	Nil	11	Nil	Nil	Nil	2	Nil	Nil	1	-
1946.	Nil	7	23	4	1	15	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	-
1947.	Nil	21	110	21	5	2	5	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	-
1948.	Nil	12	48	74	2	Nil	Nil	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	-
1949.	Nil	8	71	19	1	1	14	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	-
1950.	Nil	15	505	115	1	1	3	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	55
1951.	Nil	11	41	46	10	Nil	5	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
1952.	Nil	7	235	76	9	Nil	6	1	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	1	85
1953.	Nil	11	142	3	4	Nil	3	2	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	1	Nil
1954.	Nil	4	30	81	8	Nil	14	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	3
1955.	Nil	6	183	8	10	Nil	8	3	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2
1956.	Nil	2	30	14	7	Nil	5	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil